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DIARY NOTES

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7 April 1965

1. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning:

a. I reported that all our Saigon evacuees are being well cared for at Walter Reed General Hospital and Bethesda Naval Hospital and that Dr. Tietjen thought it was much too early for any visits by senior Agency personnel.

b. I also reported that an Office of Communications employee was on the Pan American plane which landed in the water off the coast of Florida last night but that he, along with the other passengers, was all right.

c. The Director announced that Dick Helms will receive the National Civil Service League Career Service Award for outstanding civilian service.

2. Dick Helms telephoned to say that the question of wearing sport clothes (shorts, slacks, etc.) while working in the Headquarters building on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays had been raised. He thought that this was highly improper and hoped that this would be Agency policy. I assured him that it was but suggested that this matter should be handled orally rather than in writing. I have also requested that DD/S&T and DD/I make similar announcements at their staff meetings, and I will do likewise.

3. [redacted] and General Carter both called in response to [redacted] cable from Saigon recommending that the Director address letters of appreciation to the Secretaries of State and Defense for the handling and evacuation of our Saigon casualties. I drafted the letters. However, late in the afternoon Hank told me that the Director had no intention of signing these letters and that we would have to wait to see whether General Carter wanted to do so.

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4. I met with Emmett Echols and Matt Baird to discuss the use of "live" cases in training programs. We agreed that no "live" cases involving embezzlement, defalcation, etc., would be used.

5. I met with Alan Warfield and [redacted] to discuss displacing part of the USIB Secretariat to provide space which DD/I needs for a CIA

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Watch Office. This solution seemed sound to me. However, I called [REDACTED] who wanted to speak to General Carter about it before any action is taken. I therefore asked him and Paul Borel to state their positions in writing so that I can present the case to Mr. Kirkpatrick and/or General Carter for a decision.

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6. [REDACTED] asked me for an official point of contact in the Support [REDACTED]

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